Waste Program Policy EMS Pilot

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EMS Basics - A Plan-Do-Check-Act Cycle That Asks the Question...

"Where should we spend our resources to affect the greatest environmental gain?"

Focus of WDNR EMS:

- ♦ Walk the talk
- Improve policy and regulations systemically
- Include key partners to address environmental issues
- ◆ Model transparency ("come and see")
- ◆ Build our skills to evaluate EMSs

Where in the Agency are we applying EMSs?

- Spooner Campus
- ◆ Lake Kegonza Park
- Air Management at Foundries

DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

◆ Waste Management

What DNR EMSs are Intended to Deliver

- Increased environmental protection
- ◆ Efficient and effective deployment of resources
- New trust relationships with community
- Enhanced employee morale, strategic retention

How did we go about the business of applying an EMS to policy development?

Priorities for policy development

♦ Set clear goals.

Establish common expectations.

Define guiding principles.

 Engage stakeholders in strategic planning.





SET
OBJECTIVES
& TARGETS





IDENTIFY
WHAT'S MOST
IMPORTANT



TARGET ONE GROUP



FINALIZE PRINCIPLES



TARGET THREE GROUP



SET VISION & STRATEGIC GOALS

WHAT'S MOST' IMPORTANT

Themes from the regional meetings

- ◆ Redefine "waste."
- ◆ Look at waste management as a system.
- ◆ Increase regulatory flexibility & innovation.
- Look at incentives and disincentives.
- Build strong relationships.

FINAL PRINCIPLES

- ◆ Clear and measurable goals.
- ◆ Resource use and conservation.
- ◆ Informed environmental choices.
- ◆ Accountability.
- ◆ Public involvement.
- ◆ Mechanisms.

Why establish principles?

- To provide a shared foundation between the Waste Program and its stakeholders to achieve effective waste and materials management.
- ◆ To help spark honest, constructive dialogue among the wide range of interested parties.
- ◆ To underscore that resource use and conservation are issues of stewardship for so many--not just the Waste Program or DNR.

Moving Towards Zero Waste:

A Shared Vision for Wisconsin's Future

◆ Minimize and Prevent Waste

 Minimize the Potential for Environmental Impacts of Landfills

Eliminate Backyard Burning & Dumping

◆ Education

Next Steps....

Brief the Governor's Office
Brief Key Legislators
Implement activities for the Goals
Check in with Stakeholders
Measure Performance